CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

A method for manufacturing a bath sponge, the method comprising:
 manipulating each of a plurality of discrete lengths of flexible meshnetting tube so that each mesh-netting tube is formed into a band, each band bounding a central opening;

adjacently positioning each of the bands so that at least a portion of the central opening of each band is aligned along a longitudinal axis; and

securing each of the aligned bands together at two spaced apart locations so as to produce a substantially spherical sponge.

- 2. A method according to claim 1, wherein the act of manipulating comprises at least partially rolling each mesh-netting tube so that each tube has a substantially doughnut shaped configuration.
- 3. A method according to claim 2, further comprising folding each meshnetting tube over itself at least once prior to rolling.
- 4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the act of adjacently positioning each of the bands comprises stretching each band over a support structure.
- 5. A method according to claim 1, wherein the act of adjacently positioning each of the bands comprises stretching each band over a pair of spaced apart posts.

- 6. A method according to claim 1, wherein the act of securing comprises using separate cords to tie the bands together at the two spaced apart locations.
- 7. A method according to claim 6, further comprising positioning a fastening device on at least one of the cords so as to keep the cord in place.
- 8. A method according to claim 1, further comprising positioning an object within a central pocket formed within the spherical sponge.

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9. A method for manufacturing a bath sponge, the method comprising:

at least partially rolling each of a plurality of discrete lengths of flexible
mesh-netting tube so that each mesh-netting tube is formed into a discrete
substantially doughnut shaped band, each band bounding a central opening;

stretching each band on a support structure so that the central opening of each band is at least partially aligned;

securing each of the bands together at a first location;

securing each of the bands together at a second location substantially opposite the first location; and

releasing the stretched bands from the support structure so as to produce a substantially spherical bath sponge.

- 10. A method according to claim 9, further comprising folding at least one of the mesh-netting tubes over itself at least once prior to rolling.
- 11. A method according to claim 9, wherein the act of stretching each band on a support structure comprises stretching each band over a pair of spaced apart posts.
- 12. A method according to claim 9, wherein the act of securing each of the bands together at a first location comprises tying a line around each of the bands at the first location.